

Sorry for the mix-up on the board. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 274, LR 275, and LR 276, and LR 277. We'll move on to legislative resolutions, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 272, offered by the Speaker, is found on page 542 of the Journal. (Read synopsis of the resolution.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Barrett, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Mr President and members. As the Clerk has just explained, I am pleased to bring LR 272 to the body's attention in which we proclaim the week of February 7 through the 13th, 1988, as vocational education week. This day, February 10th, is the day that representatives from each of Nebraska's vocational student organizations are visiting with us at the Capitol today. They are participating in a joint effort to learn more about state government. As most of you know, we are being shadowed today, we are being observed from the balconies today by these students from across the entire State of Nebraska. So I am pleased to bring this resolution to the body's attention, a resolution of support for vocational education, and ask that the body recognize vocational student organizations as they prepare students for leadership roles across the State of Nebraska. I would urge the body's support for the adoption of the resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Coordsen, please.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I rise to support this resolution and would encourage all of us to vote for it. There was a time a few years back when there was a certain amount of despair expressed about the quality of the young people in the State of Nebraska, and, for that matter, across the country. Through that you would have found the members of the Future Farmers organizations, the home economics, the FBLA, all of these people didn't participate and provided us with the leadership that is now present today. I think with a quick look to the balcony we can see that the future of the state is safe, the future of the nation is safe as long as we have the quality of people that are involved in vocational educational with us to carry us into the future. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Barrett, did you wish to close?